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SUBJECT: REPLY TO SOMALI AIDE MEMOIRE

REFS: (A) STATE 210478, (B) 211455, (C) MOGADISCIO 1930, (D) ADDIS ABABA 3668

- 1. I CONSIDER ADDOU AIDE MEMOIRE VERY DEFINITELY STEP IN RIGHT DIRECTION, PARTICULARLY PARA 1 WHICH STATES SIAD WOULD ANNOUNCE THAT SOMALIA HAS NO TERRITORIAL CLAIM AGAINST ANY OF ITS NEIGHBORS. THIS RENUNCIATION IS PRECISELY WHAT GOK HAS ALWYAS WANTED, AND IT COULD PAVE WAY FOR NORMALIZATION OF KENYAN-SOMALI RELATIONS.
- 2. I THINK IT AN EXCELLENT IDEA FOR SIAD TO SEND MESSAGE TO KENYANS, SINCE DIRECT COMMUNICATION IS CLEARLY THE BEST FASHION IN WHICH TO APPROACH NEGOTIATIONS. AS WE HAVE REPORTED, KENYANS HAVE OFTEN IN PAST BEEN PUT OFF BY ALLEGED SIAD OFFERS OF NON-AGGRESSION PACT WITH KENYA MADE TO THIRD COUNTIRES. KENYAN VIEW IS THAT IF SAID HAS SOMETHING TO SAY HE SHOULD SAY IT DIRECTLY TO THEM. IF, HOWEVER, SOMALI MESSAGE IS TO BE WHOLLY ACCEPTABLE TO GOK, I BELIEVE IT WILL HAVE TO INCLUDE RENUNCIATION OF TERRITORIAL CLAIMS, AS WELL AS OFFER SECRET

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OF NON-AGGRESSION PACT. KENYANS HAVE FREQUENTLY TOLD US THAT A KENYAN-SOMALI NON-AGGRESSION PACT WOULD HAVE NO MEANING UNLESS IT WERE COUPLED WITH SOMALI RENUNCIATION OF CLAIMS TO KENYAN TERRIROTY.

3. KENYAN ACCEPTANCE OF SOMALI EXPRESSIONS OF GOOD WILL WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF GOK HAD CREDIBLE

EVIDENCE THAT SIAD HAD TERMINATED HIS SUPPORT FOR THE INSUR-RECTION IN THE OGADEN. (GOK HAS GOOD INTERCEPT CAPABILITY AND IS FULLY AWARE OF MESSAGE TRAFFIC BETWEEN MOGADISCIO AND WSLF UNITS IN THE OGADEN.)

4. I SHARE AMBASSADOR CHAPIN'S VIEW THAT SIAD ASSURANCES SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE THE BOUNDARIES OF KENYA AND DJIBOUTI, AS WELL AS ETHIOPIA, AND THAT THIS BE SPELLED OUT IN ANY MESSAGES SENT TO NIMEIRI AND OBASANJO (PARA. 5 REF B).

 $5.\,\mathrm{I}$  DO NOT EXPECT THAT KENYATTA'S DEATH WILL HAVE ANY EFFECT ON KENYA'S POLICY TOWARDS SOMALIA. LE MELLE

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